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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
JUNICHI MINATO : EXAMINER: CAMPOS, YAIMA
SERIAL NO: 10/658,273 :
FILED: SEPTEMBER 10, 2003 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2185
FOR: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS, :
SHARED DATA MANAGEMENT
METHOD AND SHARED DATA
MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 22, 2008, Applicants
hereby elect Group I, Claims 1-21, 25-27, 29, and 32. This election is made without traverse.

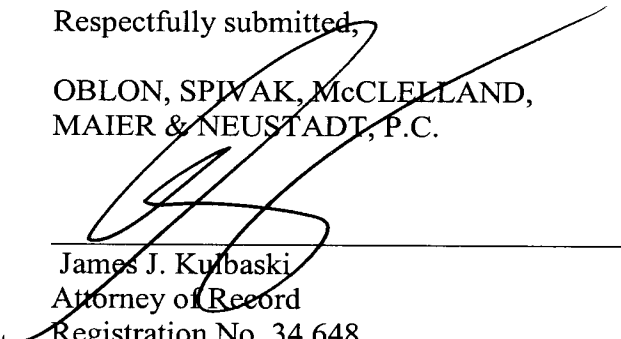
Prompt and favorable examination of the elected claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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